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2. [redacted] Talked with Frank Ecker, Bureau of the Budget, concerning Agency reports to the Congress under P. L. 85-934 which requires reports to "appropriate committees of Congress" for grants by agencies for research by non-profit institutions made under the authority of that law. The Bureau of the Budget had not considered previously the problem of which committee should receive the reports and Ecker suggested in our case that we make reports to the two Appropriations committees. I checked with various people on the Hill and apparently reports are going to various committees. I recommended to Saunders that the reports be forwarded to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for their referral to the appropriate committee.

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3. [redacted] and Mr. Warner attended a briefing in the Pentagon by Air Force officials of congressional staff personnel on the problem of UFOs. The House Science and Astronautics Committee and the House Armed Services Committee were represented and neither were inclined to conduct any investigation as urged by Major Keough in his most recent book. In fact, House Space had conducted an investigation and made a report but had not made either public knowledge. Colonel Tacker, of Air Force, had arranged this meeting and had brought in Major Friend of AFIC and Dr. Hynic, who is the senior scientific consultant to the Air Force on UFOs. The Air Force gave a detailed briefing of their work in this field including the presentation of the draft semi-annual report which is due in July. The findings of the Air Force remain the same, that UFOs do not constitute a threat to U. S. security.

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